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longing for the alien, aliens in space, humanoids in space (aliens envisaged by fantasy), belief in flying saucers and yearning for guardian angels. Hamlet and Prospero. The approach is wide-ranging, even discursive, and the psychological insights tentative; it has not the overwhelming plausibility that Freud's excursions offered, and its lack of balance and of a continuous theme renders it scrappy—more suited to be offered in chunks in the columns of a 'quality weekly' than as a serious publication. There is an ingenious suggestion about the real-life model for Prospero.

This book is easy to read and provides a pleasant account of the subject of anxiety, suitable for those in whom some psychological trappings are considered appropriate. It would be a pity, however, if it were to fall into the hands of a potential serious student of the subject; it devalues the attempts made to provide a physiological measure of anxiety, it is insufficiently critical of the questionnaire method on which it relies heavily, and ignores a whole range of recent important work—for instance, that by Lader and Wing in this journal 27, 210; 28, 78; 28, 414—that is proving of value in extending our knowledge of anxiety.

A book which compresses much of the material of psychological medicine in the form of short, ready-made answers to a series of questions will probably be welcomed by many of the increasing number of examination candidates in psychiatry. At the same time students will appreciate that a summary presentation of this type cannot be achieved without omissions and distortions. Indeed, the authors not only acknowledge the need for a larger textbook in their preface, but go so far as to conclude their compendium with a pointed suggestion: 'Those who desire a more comprehensive text with adequate reference should consult Guide to Psychiatry by Myre Sim, also published by E. & S. Livingstone Limited.'

BOOKS RECEIVED

Books noticed here may also be reviewed later


DAS NEUROLOGIE UND PSYCHISCHE DEFETSYNDROMBEI FRUHKLINDLICHEM HIRNSCHADELN BY G. Hufmann. (Pp. viii + 118; 24 figures; 17 tables. DM 38.00.) Thieme: Stuttgart. 1968.


NOTICE

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON CLINICAL APPLICATIONS OF ISOTOPE CLEARANCE MEASUREMENT OF CEREBRAL BLOOD FLOW

An International Symposium on the Clinical Applications of Isotope Clearance Measurement of Cerebral Blood Flow will be held from 1 to 12 April 1969. Details may be obtained from Dr. med. M. Brock, 65-Mainz, Neurochirurgische Univ.-Klinik, Lanenbeckstrasse 1, Western Germany.

SOCIETY FOR RESEARCH INTO HYDROCEPHALUS AND SPINA BIFIDA

The thirteenth Annual Meeting of the Society will take place under the Presidency of Dr. J. L. Emery at the Institute of Psychiatry, DeCrespigny Park, Denmark Hill, London S.E.5, on 19, 20, and 21 June 1969. Further information from Dr. A. L. Woolf, Midland Centre for Neurosurgery and Neurology, Holly Lane, Smethwick, Warley, Worcestershire.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON CYBERNETICS

An International Congress on Cybernetics will be held in London from 1 to 5 September 1969. Further information may be obtained from Dr. J. Rose, College of Technology and Design, Blackburn, BB2 1LH, Lancashire, UK.

CORRECTION

We regret that, because of an error that occurred during the final printing of the paper by Dr. G. Donald W. McKendrick “The Treatment of Pyogenic Meningitis” (October 1968, p. 528), the paper was incorrectly attributed to G. Donald and W. McKendrick, and that the error was perpetuated in the 1968 index.